### Letter from Washington.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette: Washington, January, 5 .- I went to the Capitol vesterday morning, in hopes of hearing the address of Vice-President Breckinridge to the Senate, on the solemn occasion of their last meeting in the old Hall, the theatre of so many brilliant orators and statesmen of the Republic, and where so many vast and momentous questions have been decided; but at an early period, the very small galleries were so crowded, that many hundreds were shut out, so I took the next best chance, and went into the gallery of the new Senate Chamber, to see the opening there. This is a very fine Hall-good for speaking and hearing. The desks are arranged as usual, SALT. Fine. in the form of a horse-shoe, and occupy so BUTTER, Roll, P. Ib. little space on the floor, that the Senate looked to me like a family just moved into a new house in advance of their furniture. There are six rows of seats, two more than in the Representatives' Hall. The arrangements are not yet all made, but so far, the ladies appear to have the east and part of the south galleries. The reporters' desks are just above the Vice-President's Chair, which is on the north side of the Chamber, and do not seem as convenient for seeing and hearing as those in the House-but as I was not on that side, perhaps I am in error. The first thing mentioned, was building ten war-steamers. Gov. Johnson, of Tennessee, then introduced a retrenchment resolution, in accordance with the second annual message of the President, a passage from which, recommending retrenchment was read—this gave rise to a debate lasting some time, an account of which you have already had in your report. In the course of his remarks, Governor Johnson made an extraordinary statement, which I hope some of your learned readers will examine and let us know if correct. The Governor said, "That in the year 1790, the popula- the sales are in very small lots. tion of the United States was short of four millions, and the expenses of the Government were two millions; now, the population of the country is twenty-eight millions, and

the expenses of Government, are seventy-five or eighty-five millions. That the population of the United States has doubled seren times.' -this last assertion of doubling, he repeated: perhaps the Governor meant to say that the population is seven times as much as it was in 1790, but it seems to me that if the populution had doubled seven times, it would be some five hundred millions, in which case. the expense of the last year or two would be very moderate indeed. I did not see Judge Douglas on the floor of the Senate.

The Vice-President's address is very highly spoken of, and I regret that I was not so fortunate as to hear it, and also the fine speech coming so appropriately from Mr. Crittenden the oldest member of the body, and one of the most eloquent men now living, reminding one so forcibly of the best days of the Republic The Vice President called Governor Fitz-

patrick to the chair, which he filled with great dignity and very ably. This gentleman is a worthy successor of the lamented King. If there is an honest statesman in the land, it's Governor Ben, and the Charleston Convention I am in hopes will not forget him. I met Mr. Letcher, the nominee of the Petersburg Convention, he looks well, and able to encounter a host of opponents. By the bye the course of those opposed to him in the Petersburg Convention only served to show his extraordinary strength with the people. It reminded one of the surges of the Atlantic rebounding from the rock of Gibraltar-he has been faithful in all his public service-he has opposed the waste of revenue and land of the country, and public plunder of all descriptions, and this the people remembered. Yours

COMMUNICATED. In May last the people of this county elected Mr. James Sangster, Sheriff of this county. I now see that he has disposed of the office to Mr. C. M. Castleman. I have no objection in the world, and think that Mr. C. ble employment for money,) more means on did right in taking the office, if he made a good bargain, and that he will make a good Sheriff But, at the next election for Sheriff I shall vote for Mr. Castleman or some other office, and perform its duties. A DEMOCRAT.

# MARRIED.

In Fluvanna County, Virginia, on the 29th ult. the Rev. Mr. Blackwell, EDWARD C. EDby the Rev. Mr. Blackwell, R.D. A. M. MAGGIE MONDS, esq., of Fauquier County, to MAGGIE S. TUTWILER, daughter of Col. M. Tutwiler.

# DIED.

At Kellyville, Culpeper County, Virginia, December 28th, 1858, in the 58th year of her age, Miss DIANA A. FIELD, after a long and painful

JANUARY.			SUN			MOON'S PHASES.			
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# PORT OF ALEXANDRIA-JANUARY 5.

ARRIVED. Sehr. Ann Pickerell, Leverton, Philadelphia, to

SAILED. Schr. Helen Mar, Nickerson, Boston, by M. El-

Schr. A. R. Whitmore, Boaker, New York, by David A. Lowe. Schr. Athol, Parr, hence at St. John, N. B., 23d

20 LIBRARY LECTURES .- The third Lee ture of the course, will be delivered by the Rev. E. YATES REESE, D. D., on Tuesday evening, January 11th. Subject: "An Evening with the AMERICAN FEMALE POETS." Tickets 25 cents; for a Lady and Gentleman, 373 cents.

20 FOR CONGRESS.—We are authorized to announce HENRY SHACKELFORD, esq., as a candidate to represent the Seventh Congressional District, in the next Congress.

We are authorized to announce Dr. J. B. GRAYSON, a candidate to represent the District of Stafford, King George, and Prince William, in the Senate of Virginia, subject to the ratification of a District Convention. PRINCE WILLIAM. nov 11-eotf

BANK OF THE OLD DOMINION. Alexandria, January 4, 1859. TIME Annual Election of Directors for this Bank, for the ensuing year, will be held at the Bank ing House, on Tuesday, the 11th instant, between the hours of 10, A. M., and 2, P. M. jan 5-dtJan11 JAS, McKENZIE, Cashier,

BANK OF THE OLD DOMINION, ) THE President and Directors of this Bank, have I this day declared a dividend of three-and-a half per cent, nett, for the past six months, payable to the Stockholders, on and after the 15th instant. the Bank paying the bonus to the State, and State JAS. McKENZIE, Cashier. jan 4-eot15Jan

NOTICE.—The Annual Election of Nine Directors for the ALEXANDRIA SAVINGS' IN-STITUTION, will be held at my Office, on Thursday next, 6th instant, between the hours of 10 and W. C. YEATON, Cashier. jan 2-td

FOR GALVESTON, TEXAS.—The good Schr. BROADFIELD, is receiving freight. and will positively sail for the above port on the 10th January. For freight or passage, having good accommodations, apply to S. G. HAND & CO., jan 3-d6t No. 101 Smith's Wharf, Baltimore. last six months.

COMMERCIAL.

PRICES OF PRODUCE IN ALEXANDRIA. FROM CARS, VESSELS, AND WAGONS. (YESTERDAY. ...\$5 00 (a \$0 00 7 00 (a) 1 25 (a) Family ..... Do WHEAT, White 1 20 Red ..... Do Mixed .. 0 00 (a CORN MEAL, P bushel. 0 40 Ca OATS ..... 0 25 (a) CLOVER SEED, (retail) ... 6 25 60 1 30 (a 0 00 1 25 (a 0 00 FLAXSEED ..... Sumac, P hundred.

4 25 66 4 50 on Cars.. Do Ground do. GUANO ..... 1 05 @ 0 18 @ Do Ground Alum. 0 12 (a BACON, Hog Round. 0 094 (a 7 00 (a 0 10½ (a PORK. LARD, in Kegs. WHITE BEANS 1 00 (a, 1 25 0 50 (a) 0 62½ BLACK-EYED PEAS.....

PLASTER, Lump, retail, delivered

FLOUR .- The market is inactive, the demand on the part of shippers is very light, and the principal sales are to the city trade at \$5@\$5 121 for Superfine by the dray load. Very little doing in Extra and Family, and our quotations remain unchanged.

WHEAT .- The receipts of Wheat continue very light, and the demand limited. The market is dull at 12566130c. for good to prime white, and 1156a 120c, for good red. Sales of small lots fair red were made yesterday at 118c. CORN .-- The receipts of Corn show a slight in-

crease. The demand is fair, but prices have undergone a decline since our last, and sales were made yesterday of new white at 7562 see. There was no yellow offering. The demand is principally confined to millers and distillers.

RYE .- Very little doing in Rye, and quotation remain unchanged. There is some enquiry, but

OATS .- No sales of Oats reported, but we continue to quote at 42c., with a good demand.

PORK .- The demand is very good, and the receipts though increasing are still very light. We note sales of some very prime lots dressed hogs at \$7 50 P 100 lbs.; ordinary may be quoted at \$6

Coal Trade.

We learn from the Cumberland Civilian that there were shipped from the coal region of Allegany county, during the past year, by the several companies, the following number of tons:

Cumberla	nd Co	al and	Iron Company	74,080
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			any	
			auy	40.11 100.00
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George's	Creek	Compa	any	32,336
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Barton	**	- 64	***************************************	
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Increase in 1858 ... Of the above amounts 277,293 tons were from the Frostburg region, and 365,432 tons from the West ernport region. The total shipment since the com mencement of operations in 1842, reach 4,933,633 tons, of which 1,531,489 were from the George Creek region; 1,871,963 from Braddock's Run Valley, and 1,540,184 from Jennings' Run Valley.

more are now made up, to the 3d instant. The effect of the reduced volume of business the past year, throughout the country, is indicated by the results as well in a large increase of the discounts and circulation as a large decrease of deposits and specie. While there is less discounting to do, there is from the same cause (that is, a want of profitato do it with. The banks of discount in the city now number sixteen, and the aggregate capital \$10,266,841.

The comparative statement of the condition of the banks of the city of New York. December 25 gentleman who will, after election, retain the and January 1, shows a general expansion, every item being increased. The specie movement du ing the week has not been very active, although New York received considerable amounts from Boston, and sent some to Baltimore, in preparation for the annual statement. The increase of depo-sits is due to the accumulation here for the pay-ment of interest, dividends, &c.

# Kentucky Mule Trade.

The Paris, (Kentucky) Flag, says:-"There is a great excitement in the male trade at this time. Dealers are travelling over the country paying extraordinary high prices. Fat mules are very searce and difficult to obtain. Our farmers are now making up for the losses they sustained last year by the failure of dealers in Richmond, Virginia, and elsewhere. Sam Clay, junior, agent of Trowbridge's Sons, shipped several hundred head in the last few days for the West Indies, via New Haven, Connecticut. N. T. & H. C. Lindsey left on Monday with a large drove of extra mules for Louisiana and Mississippi. C. C. Rogers sold 33 head of two and three years old to Hall & Howes, of Fayette county, at \$161 7 head. The same firm, it is said, purchased \$24,000 worth of mules of Goodman & Letton, of this county. We understand there were

164 in the lot.		
Flour Inspection in Alexa	andr	ia.
Amount of Elour inspected in A	Mexa	ndria, for
the quarter ending December 31st,		
Family		barrels.
Extra	2,350	**
Superfine1	2,712	
Fine	138	44
Total1.	5.489	11

ROBTERT TAYLOR, Inspector. Inspection of Flour in Falmouth. Amount of Flour inspected in the town of Fal-

mouth, for the quarter ending the	Slat	of Decem	
ber, 1858: Family Extra	1,000	barrels.	
Superfine	376	**	
Second do	167	**	
Tatal 1	0.043	"	

WM. HEAD, Inspector. Inspection of Flour in Georgetown.

GEORGETOWN, D. C., January 5 .- The following returns show the quantity of flour inspected

lurio	g the	year	1858:	Barrels.	Half Barre
Qr. e " "	nding	30th	March June Sept December	44,025 42,057 52,355	1,029 1,909 2,057 5,222
Be	Potal. sides	14 bb	ls. Rye Fl	.222,303 our.	11,217

Fredericksburg Market, Ja	nu	ary	7 5		
Family City Mills, extra new.  D do do superfine.  Wheat, white.	\$8 6 5 1	50 25 10 00	<b>电影图点图</b>	5 1 1	75
Corn, old	v	uu	Ger.	0	60

PHILAPELPHIA CATTLE MARKET, January 3 .-Beef Cattle-The offerings this week amounted to about 1,400 head; sales at \$7(2,\$10 50 \$\rightarrow\$ 100 lbs -these prices are about the same as those of last week. Cows.—Sales of fresh Cows at \$40(a) \$50; dry do. at \$15@ \$25 each. Sheep—Offerings 3,500; sales at \$3@ \$6 each. Hogs—Offerings about 2,700 head; sales at \$7(a \$8 7 100 ths. net.

The Potomac Insurance Company, Georgetown, D. C., has declared a dividend of 8 per cent for the

BALTIMORE, Jan. 5.—Flour is dull: Howard street and Ohio 85, but no sales reported. Wheat dull: white 1306a145c. Corn is firm at 656a 69c, for white, and 71c, for prime; yellow. Oats are nominal; Pennsylvania 45(a 47c.: Maryland 43(a 44c. Provisions are firm. Mess Pork \$17.50 .- Lard is quiet at 11 (211). Whiskey-The demand

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 .- Flour is firm: sales of 6,000 hbls.: Ohio \$5.35(a \$5.55; Southern \$4.80(a \$5.40. Wheat is firm; sales of 15,000 bushels; mixed Wisconsin \$1.16. Corn is quiet: unsound mixed 77½c. Pork firmer; new mess \$17.75; prime \$13.50. Lard firmer 112(a 114c). Whiskey is held at 25(a 254c). Stocks are higher. Virginia 6's 964. Missouri 6's 874. Sterling Exchange is firm at 1097.

TRADE OF BALTIMORE,-The Baltimore American published in a supplemental sheet, at the commencement of the year, a complete statement of the trade and commerce of that city during the year 1858. This statement shows that within the time named, the trade of the city considerably exceeded a hundred millions of dollars. We cite the principal items:

Boots and Shoes....St.650,000 ! Iron Books and Paper... 3,000,000 | Leather . 3,050,000 | Live stock, Copper 2,000,000 Molasses.
Cotton 2,225,000 Naval Stores.
Coffee 3,900,000 Oysters.
Drugs, paints, & 1,500,000 Provisions.
Pry Gosds 20,000,000 Piano Trade.
Earthenware 1,000,000 Salt. 280,000 | Sugar 5.300,000 | Vessels built ... www.coo Whisker \$108,000,000

## BOARDING SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES,

MIDDLEBURG, LOUDOUN COUNTY, VIRGINIA,

Mrs. McGINN, Principal.

THE DUTIES of this SCHOOL will be resumed on the 1st of February next. The year is divided into two terms, (of five months each,) commencing the 1st of February and 1st of August. The studies pursued, embrace Spelling, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, English Grammar, Geogra-phy, Composition, Natural, Modern, and Ancient History, Natural Philosophy, Latin, French, Muie (Vocal and Instrumental.) Drawing, Crotchet

ing, Fancy Knitting, and Embroidery.

— TERMS: Board and Tuition in English, (including Crotcheting, Fancy Knitting, and Em-broidery.) per term of five months, (pag-

Furnished Room, Fuel, Washing, and Lights, 85 00 Mrs. M. has had a long experience in teaching, her discipline is mild and firm, tending to promote the happiness and best interests of the Young Laics, committed to her care.

N. B.—Young Ladies attending this School, will

have the advantage of three Resident Teachers to assist them, before and after School hours, in the progress of their studies.

\*\*ZE\*\* For further particulars, see circular, or ad-JOHN H. McGINN.

Middleburg, Loudoun Co., Va., jan 6-eotFeb! TAKEN OFF THE ROUTE.—
The Steamboat THOMAS COLLYER will be taken off the route, between Alexandria and Washington, and will discontinue her trips to Mount Vernon, on Saturday, January the 8th, until further notice. RICHARD WALLACH.

ESTRAY.—Strayed away from the care of F. H. Janney, Lewensville, Fairfax County, on the 17th of December last, a BAY MARE, four years old. She racks and trots finely. A reasonable reward will be paid for any information of said mare, to Dr. Wm. H. McVeigh, near Lewensville, Fairfax County, Va., or to the owner. ian 6-eo3t JAMES H. McVEIGH, Alex'a. SCHOOL EXHIBITION!

THE STUDENTS OF ST. JOHN'S ACADEMY respectfully announce to their friends and the AN ENTERTAINMENT, AT LIBERTY HALL,

On Thursday Evening, January 6th.
Among the pieces, "The Gridiron," "Box and ox," "The Letter," and "The Blunders of a Night,"

Tickets 15 cents, to be had of any of the Students,

Money Matters.

The annual statements of the Banks of Balti. I.O.O.F., respectfully inform the friends of that Order, that there will be a GRAND BALL, (in aid of the School Fund.) held at SAREPTA HALL. In making this announcement, they pledge them-selves that no effort shall be wanting to render it

The Ball" of the season.
A CELEBRATED COTILLION BAND will be present.

Refreshments furnished the Ladies. Hats or Caps cannot be worn in the room. Carriages will be provided for the Ladies.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE-(Searlet Rosettes. Hugh Latham, | C. Schafer, Wesley Avery, | J. T. Close, A. D. Warfield D. G. Watkins. COMMITTEE ON RECEPTION—(Blue Rosette.) Geo. Foreman. | A. Gibson, J. B. Hancock, | James Gale, W. F. Padgett (White Posette ) COMMITTEE ON REFRESHMENTS-J. H. Watkins, | John Kidwell, | George Bossart, H. J. Thompson | Nath'l. Hays, | J. H. Pickin.

Managers at Large—(Variegated Rusette.) J. T. Close, L. Skidmore, Robt, I. Smith, J. W. Campbell, Thos. Skinner, Town, Baggett, F. A. Marbury, R. Robinson, FLOOR MANAGER-(Purple Rosette.) AC Grand Promenade at 9 o'clock, precisely,

E.C. The Carriages will commence running at 61 TIME MOUNT VERNON PAPERS, by the Hon Edward Everett, now ready in the New York Ledger, and for sale at GEO, SIGGERS' Book,

Periodical, and News Depot, 75 Prince street, opdosite the Gazette Office. Charles Dickens' Christmas Story, only 5 ets. Frank Leslie's Budget of Fun, for February, 6c. The Comic Boquet for January, 10c.

The Tribune Almanae and Political Register, More Amusement for the Little Folks. The Young Architect, No. 1, contains a Paper Cottage, a beautiful little toy for either Girl or Boy, price

13 cents. A full supply of Doils, Ferniture and Houses on hand. All the Magazines for January on hand, with all

the Papers for this week, at prices to suit the times. NOTICE.—I hereby forewarn all persons from buying or trading for a Note on James Fos-ter, for Seventy-Nine Dollars, payable to me; the said note having been got out of my possession by person who called himself James Dabbs, for col Jas. Dabbs promised to return within 6 months. If my assignment is on the note, it was put there without my knowledge. Also, one other Note, for One Hundred and Thirty-Nine Dollars and Twenty-Three Cents, on E. Rickets, payable to Fanny Haislip, my wife, was got at the same time, and on

the same terms. ZEPHENIAH BRAWNER. We are shortly expecting the Brig Georgia, 450 hogsheads SUGAR

300 barrels MOLASSES. This cargo has been selected especially for this and the District markets, and is represented to be of choice quality. It will be offered at public auction on arrival, of It will be offered at purise and which due notice will be given.

FOR SALE.—A negro MAN, about forty years old, a first rate farm hand, and no better ploughman, wagoner, cartman, or hand with horses in the State-rather old for the Southern market, and will be sold a bargain, for eash, or ne- tance occurred. In the second paragraph is gotiable paper, the owner having no further use for him. He is a servant of good character. Apply for any further information to ROBERT C. BRASHEAR, esc., or Capt. GEORGE H. PAD. GETT, West End, Alexandria, where the negro

DIANO TUNING .- Mr. B. F. DENNIS from to Thatburg, will attend to tuning and repairing PIANOS, ORGANS, MELODEONS, and all kinds of musical instruments. All work left at No. 3, Exchange Block, King-street, Alexandria,

Commission business in this city, under the firm of WILLIAM H. FOWLE & SON. Office for the present at Nos. 57 and 59 King street.

prices, by HILL, BROWN, & PARTLOW. | tend said Convention.

In the Senate yesterday, Mr. Clay presented the credentials of James Chesnut, ir., Senator elect from the State of South Carolina, who was duly qualified and took his seat.

Mr. Iverson offered a resolution extending is limited. Ohio is held at 21@25e.; City at 23 the privileges of the floor to the heads of departments. President's private Secretary. governors of the States for the time being, ex-senators, foreign ministers, and Judges of the Supreme Court, in addition to those already allowed those privileges.

Mr. Chandler moved to amend the resolution by adding the Mayors of the cities of Washington and Georgetown; referred to the Library Committee.

Mr. Foote offered a resolution to have the proceedings of the Senate on the occasion of the removal to the new chamber spread in extenso upon the Journal; postponed until this morning. Mr. Wilson offered a resolution asking information as to whether Federal officers and

clerks have been taxed for defraying electioneering expenses? Laid over. The Pacific Railroad bill was taken up and

The death of Hon. J. A. Quitman, was announced and the usual resolutions were adopted, after which the Senate adjourned.

In the House of Representatives the decease of Gen. Quitman was announced by his successor, Mr. John J. McRae, who delivered an appropriate eulogy on the deceased, commencing with a biographical sketch, natrating, in detail, the history of his life and

In the course of these remarks, Mr. McRae gave a sketch of the military exploits of the I. Adam. Surgeon: Commanders of Engine, illustrious Mississippian, and noticed the evidences of bravery and skill his conduct had Cole, and A. Tate; Commanders of Hose, evinced. He also noticed his course while a member of this House, and alluded to the Clarkson; Axemen, John House, R. Savage, high respect which was everywhere entertained for him. In private life, Mr. McRae R. Cross, Wm. Javins, and William Undersaid, he was a bright example—as a citizen, husband, father, and friend. Before taking his seat, Mr. McRae offered the usual resolutions of respect and condo-

Mr. Bonham seconded the resolution, and paid an eloquent tribute to the memory of the

Mr. Wright, of Tenn., and Mr. Thompson, alluded in cloquent terms to the character of the deceased, after which the House adjourn-

## BY YESTERDAY EVENING'S MAILS.

STAUNTON ITEMS .- TRIAL .- On Wednesday night of last week, Mr. George E. Deneale, State Senator from the Rockingham District, and a prominent politician of the State, was brought to Staunton in custody of the Sergeant of the town of Harrisonburg. and handed over to the Sheriff of Augusta. charged with obtaining the name of E. A. Shands to a negotiable note for nine thousand dollars by fraudulent pretenses, and thereby feloniously obtaining the discount of said note at the Bank of the Valley at Staunton. On Friday afternoon the investigation of the matter was commenced before justices Bickle and Points, which has not been concluded at the date of this writing. Prosecuting Attorney, Col. Wm, H. Harman; Counsel for the accused, Messrs. Michie, Skinner, and Michie

jan 5-2t and Hon. A. H. Stuart. The investigation has been a long and te-

dious one. MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT .-- On Thursday last Dan'l. Hale, sr., was killed in the vicini-TUESDAY EVENING, January 11th, 1859. ty of Spring Hill, by the limb of a tree which he was felling falling upon him and crushing in his skull. It is supposed it occurred about 10 o'clock. He was alone at the Fer Tickets \$1.50, to be had of either of the time, and when the horn was blown for dinner and he failed to come, a lad was sent for him and found him insensible! He was 78 years of age, a native of Pennsylvania, a citizen of Rockingham for many years, and removed to this county 22 years since. He was a most worthy, upright and inoffensive man, much esteemed by all who knew him. He leaves an aged wife and four sons and a

daughter, to mourn his sad fate. Sales of Slaves .- On Saturday last, 24 slaves (not counting a child which went with its mother.) belonging to different parties, were sold in this place. There were fourteen males and ten females—some of both sexes mere children. The aggregate of sales amounted to \$27,035, being an average price of \$1,126 for each. One man, not specially valuable, brought \$1,615, and a girl about 16 years of age \$1,400. Most of the slaves were ought by citizens of the county. Therates paid for hirelings have not increased in proportion to the market value of slaves .- Stann-

THE EIGHTH DISTRICT .- T. B. Borst esq. of Page County has been solicited and consented to become a candidate for Congress from the 8th District, subject to a convention, should one be deemed necessary. In reply to the call made upon him, Mr. Borst says:-"Being satisfied, as I am, that in your call upon me to become a candidate as above intimated, you do not wish it to be considered any opposition to the present incumbent [Hon Charles J. Faulkner,] nor as any marked favor or compliment to myself, but only a desire on your part, as a portion of the Democratic voters of the banner county of the District, to have a candidate, and if possible a Representative from your own ounty, which I have no doubt you justly think you are entitled to, from the constant and unwavering support you have always given to the party and party's cause, in times of need and great peril-I therefore consent to comply with your requets, although not aspiring to a second term, if elected-not NEW ORLEANS SUGAR AND MOLASSES.— aspiring to a second term, if elected—not however, affirming the doctrine of rotation or perpetuity in office, as this may be modified circumstances.

It may be appropriate for me to add, that in addition to your call signed by so large and respectable a number of citizens of my county, I have received numerous solicitations of almost equally as marked a character from many portions of the District, to pursue the course your communication indicates."

A Correction.—In the acceptance letter of Mr. Letcher, an omission of some importhe following sentence:

"Honestly convinced, that the principles of the party are sound, national and conservative-and satisfied that its maintenance and success, are essential to the preservation of the States, I have uniformly advocated its Pland TUNING.—3Ir. B. F. DEAMS from
Chickering & Sons, Hallet, Davis & Co., and
formerly with R. Davis, Washington, also, Tuner
and as a Representative of the people." It should read-"essential to the preserva-

tion of the Union and the rights of the

States."-Blue Ridge Republican.

warranted satisfactory.

NOTICE.—WILLIAM II. FOWLE has this day associated with him, his son WILLIAM II. FOWLE, JR., for the transaction of a general last. The meeting was presided over by James Cather, esq., John S. Gallaher, esq., acting at Secretary. A resolution was adop-WOOL PURCHASED at the highest cash Convention in Richmond on the 10th of February and the propriety of holding a ted concerning the propriety of holding a

LOCAL ITEMS.

COUNTY COURT, YESTERDAY .- Commonwealth vs. Noble Smith, for assault and battery. A nolle prosequi was entered in this

Commonwealth vs. John Ahern, for receiving stolen goods, knowing them to have been stolen. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty, and the Court sentenced the prisoner to imprisonment in the County jail for thirty days. C. E. Stuart for the prosecution; G. W. Brent for defence.

Commonwealth vs. James C. Garrell, for illegal voting. The jury being unable to agree, were discharged. A nolle prosequi was entered in the case, upon the payment of costs, \$11.70, by the defendant. C. E. Stuart for the prosecution ; G. W. Brent, for

The indictment in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Sanford Brown and Rosanna Harper, for keeping a house of ill-fame, was quashed, on motion of the defendants' counsel G. W. Brent.

The Court adjourned till this morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIENDSHIP FIRE COMPANY .- At the 85th annual meeting of the Friendship Fire Company, No. 1, held at the Hall of the Company, on Monday evening last, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing

George T. Whittington, President; William Walker, 1st Vice President; J. D. Bayliss, 2nd do., do.; Thomas Cowling, Treasurer; R. H. Bayliss, Recording Secretary; John Muir, Sr., Corresponding Secretary; Dr. T. Randolph Javins, Daniel Stonells, James James Goodwin, Thomas Padgett, and E. J. Clark, and Thomas Javins; Engineers, J. wood; Wardens, Wm. Walker, and J. W. Atkinson; Propertymen, R. Prettyman, B Wheatly, H. Bradley, and J. W. Nalls.

This is the oldest Company in our city, and we are happy to state has a very large number of members, and, is, generally, in a flourishing condition.

SUN FIRE COMPANY .- The eighty-fourth annual meeting of the Sun Fire Company. No. 2, of this city, was held at the hall of the Engine House, on Tuesday night, when the election for Officers to serve for the ensuing year took place, with the following result:

President-Hugh Latham. 1st Vice President, John Sullivan: 2nd Vice President, Charles D. Rudd; Secretary, John H. Duffey; Treasurer, John A. Rudd; Commanders of Engine, John Kerr, George Craven; Commanders of Suction, William H. Price, Geo. E. Price; Commanders of Hose, John Hall. Thomas Kidwell; Engineers-Chief Engineer, H. Webster; 1st assistant, William P McKnight; 2nd do., Alonzo Mills; Wardens, Milton Glaseow, Ferdinand Knight; Standing Committee, Hugh Latham, Milton Glasow, Charles D. Rudd, Hiram Webster, John Heath, and Mark Penn; Electing Committee William H. Price, Henry Clapdore, John H. Duffey, William P. McKnight, and Charles Greenwood: Axemen, J. H. Duffey, Andrew Sullivan, Charles Greenwood, and Joseph Horseman.

This Company, next to the oldest, in the city, has a very large list of active members, and is one of the most effective of our valuable Fire Department.

THE EXHIBITION To-NIGHT .- Our young friends of St. John's Academy, having frequently entertained the public gratuitously in their annual exhibitions, expect, on the occasion of their first appeal to their friends, a liberal support. The programme they present is a very attractive one, and when it is considered that the proceeds of the entertainment are to be devoted to so laudable an object as the increase of their school library. it cannot be doubted that the Hall will be

To KEEP ICE FROM WINDOWS .- We find the following directions to keep ice from show windows,' going the rounds: Take an ordinary paint brush or sponge, and rub over the glass, once or twice a day, a little alcohol, and it will keep the glass as free from ice as in the middle of summer, and it will also give as good a polish as can be got in any other

OFF THE LINE.—The Steamboat Thomas Collyer will be taken off the line between this city and Washington, and will also discontinue her trips to Mount Vernon, after Saturday next, until further notice. The steamer is to undergo some repairs and will

Fires. - A member of the Relief Fire Company, has furnished the Sentinel with a statement, which shows that during the last year there were 36 Fires in this place-and that the loss by them was about \$6,280.

ALEXANDRIA LIBRARY.—The third lecture of the course by Rev. Dr. Reese, will be de livered, as will be seen, at the Lyceum Hall, on the evening of the 11th inst. Subject :-"An Evening with the American Female GOOD SALE .- Lieutenant B. W. Hunter

County, on the Columbian Turnpike, to Mr. Elliott, of the County, for \$85 per acre. Some years ago, Lieutenant Hunter bought shis land at \$25 per acre, CHURCH OBSERVANCES .- This day being observed by the Catholic Church, as the

recently sold ten acres of land in Alexandria

'Feast of the Epiphany," services will be held at St. Mary's Church at 7 and 10 o'clock, A. M. COURTESIES BETWEEN CHRISTIANS .- The

following letter was delivered to the pastor of the Southern Methodist Church, on Sabbath ALEXANDRIA, VA., Dec. 31, 1858. At a regular meeting of the Baptist Church, eld this evening, for the transaction of business, the following resolution was unanimously passed "Resolved. That our grateful thanks are return-

ed to the Pastor and members of the Methodist

Church South, for the privilege so kindly granted

us, of using their Pulpit and house for divine wor-ship, while deprived of the use of our own." ship, while deprived of the use of our own."

My Dean Brethren:—In communicating thi resolution of my church to you, permit me to add, that I feel under personal obligations to you for your kindness, in the generous offer of your house preach and worship in; and it will give me much pleasure at all times, to reciprocate the favor you have done us. Your brother in Christ, SANUEL M. SHUTE, in behalf of the Church, - Virginia Sentinel.

Washington Items.—On Tuesday morning, about 8 o'clock, at the boarding-house of Mrs. Holmead, on 44 street, Mr. Lewis E. Grant, of Louisiana, committed suicide by taking prussic acid. He was about thirty years of age, and a clerk in the Navy Department. He once held the post of colonel

During the year just closed the number of tickets sold at the Branch Railroad office for vesterday. Baltimore, and way passengers alone, was 70,351; for New York 15,056; for Philadelphia 12,716; for Annapolis 1,658, and for Norfolk 958.

in the Mexican service, under Comonfort's

George Erwin, whose arrest for improper possession and vending of lottery tickets has been mentioned, underwent an examination before Justice Goddard. Erwin agreed to go to Baltimore for trial there.

"JEEMES PIPES OF PIPESVILLE."-The publie will be pleased to learn that this famous individual (Stephen Massett) who has been so favorably noticed by the press of Washington, will give an entertainment at Liberty Hall on Monday night next. The entertainment will consist of "Song and Chit Chat of travels in many lands" and is designed for the most intelligent audience.

### The Overland Mail Route

The Postmaster General this morning re eeived a despatch from Mr. Butterfield, announcing that he had made arrangements to shorten the trips of this mail between that city (Memphis) and Fort Smith, Arkansas, thirty hours; a very important saving of time indeed. Mr. B. was then about to start for Fort Smith,- Wash. Star.

The hiring rates of servants in Richmond, are about 20 per cent, higher than last year, though no very satisfactory cause can be given why such should be the case.

### FAMILY GROCERY. NO. 146 KING STREET, CORNER ST. ASAPH J. E. DOUGLASS.

WOULD call the attention of his friends and the public generally, to his large and general ASSORTMENT OF GOODS, of the very best qualities, which he is prepared to SELL FOR CASH, at the very lowest rates, and would enumerate in part the following articles:

OF THE LATE FIRM OF FLEMING & DOUGLASS,

The finest Green and Black Teas Choice Havana Segars Worcestershire Sauce John Bull do., Harvey do Girkins' Chow Chow Cauliflower American Pickles of different kinds French Mustard Pure English and American do

Tomato, Walnut and Mushroom Catsups Brandy Pine Apple, Peaches, and Cherries Preserved Ginger, Strawberries, Pine Apple and Citron Bordeaux Olive Oil, of the most approved

Brands

Sardines, of best brands

Cox's Sparkling Gelatine Muir & Son's Edinburgh Ale

Brown Stout Italian and American Maccaroni Azumea, or Baking Powder Pine Apple, English Dairy, Sapsago, and prime Eastern Cheese

Ground Ginger, Cinnamon, Alspice, Cloves Mace, and Black and White Pepper, all war ranted pure Fresh Lobsters, Pickled do Best Layer and Bunch Raisins, in whole, half, and quarter boxes Citron, Currants, Prunes, Figs, Bordeaux Al

monds, English Walnuts, and Pecan Nuts

Hecker's Farina, Baker's best Chocolate and

Broma Sperm, Chemical Sperm, and Adamantine Candles CHOICE FAMILY FLOUR, in barrels and bags, of the following brands, constantly on hand, and

for sale at lowest rates : James S. Welch's premium, dec 1-d6m AND FOR SALE .- 400 ACRES OF LAND A is offered for sale in Fairfax County, Va., adjoining the thriving village of Accotink. It is in first rate Timber and wood of original growth, which, standing, will bring \$2 a cord, clear of the timber. Adjoining this property is a Grist, Mec-chant, and Saw Mill, all in successful operation, and Accotink Creek, which is at all times navigable for long boats of the largest size. The Accotink and Mount Vernon Turnpike, which is now being built, rups through a portion of it, making it about eight miles from Alexandria.

This land will be divided into lots of not less than a hundred acres, and any one wishing to purchase will please address me, at Accotink, Fairfax County, Va. F. CHICHESTER. County, Va. J. W. McGEE, DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY,

WARRENTON, VA.

CONTINUES to perform all operations belonging to the Dental profession in the most satisfactory manner, at moderate rates. Doctor Metice may be found at home at any time except from the second to the third Monday in each month, which time will be spent at Flint Hill, Rappahannock County, Va. Office and residence on Main street, nearly oppo-

site the Warrenton House.

Warrenton, jan 1-eoly DISSOLUTION.—The co-partnership heretoforc existing under the name of CROSS, LUGEN-REEL & CO., has been this day dissolved, by mutual consent. Either partner is authorized to sign the name of the firm in settlement of the business R. Y. CROSS.

JOHN W. LUGENBEEL,

HENRY C. FIELD. R. Y. CROSS, having purchased the entire stock of Cross, Lugenbeel & Co., respectfully announces to his friends and the public generally that he intends to conduct the BOOT AND SHOE BUSINESS, in all its branches, and hopes, from the care and attention to the work turned out of his

jan 1-eo2w 74 King-street. DISSOLUTION.—The co-partnership heretofore existing in the name of BRYAN, ADAMS & CO., has this day been dissolved, by mutual consent. Either partner is authorized to sign the name of the firm in settlement. GEO. BRYAN, SAM'L. R. ADAMS,

establishment, to receive as heretofore a full share

of the public patronage. A call is solicited at No.

D. S. GREGORY. GEORGE BRYAN AND SAMUEL R. ADAMS
have this day formed a co-partnership, in the
name of BRYAN & ADAMS, and having purchased the stock of Goods belonging to Bryan, Adams & Co., respectfully announce to the public that the have in store a desirable assortment of seasonable

DRESS GOODS AT COST.—Wishing to reprompt dealers, at low rates. jan 1-eo3w duce our stock, we will sell rich French Mouslins, French Merinoes, all colors, Poil De Chevirs; also, a beautiful assortment of Fancy Dress Silks at cost.
TAYLOR & HUTCHISON.

DRY GOODS, which they offer for cash or to

SERVANTS FOR HIRE.-Two likely WO. MEN, accustomed to house work, and a young MAN, a first rate faring hand, for hire. Apply to the subscriber, at Bush Hill, Fairfax County, Va VIRGINIA SCOTT. NOTICE.—Our accounts will be ready for de-livery January 1st, and we solicit from our

friends prompt settlements.
dec 30 G. K. WITMER & BROS.

KNOX & BRO.

ceived, and for sale by J. WM. BOWLING, corner of Fairfax and Prince-sts. I UST RECEIVED from New York, a large con-J signment of LADIES' FURS, which will be sold extremely low, such as Fitch, Stone Martin, Mink, and Canada Sable. Call and examine.

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BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH

Sr. Louis, Jan 5 .- The overland mail from San Francisco, on the 10th ult., arrived here

river gold, had been received in San Fran-Later Salt Lake dates are also received by

the same mail. The U.S. Marshal was unable to serve a process on Brigham Young. he being prevented by a body guard. It was expected that Judge Sinclair would require military aid to enforce the orders of the

Sr. Louis, Jan. 5 .- The Democrat of this morning reports that Capt. Hamilton is committing depredations in the southern part of the Territory with a large body of men, the outrages being principally upon the free State settlers.

It was also reported that Capt. Montgomery was raising a party to repel the invasion by Hamilton, and further that both parties were determined to fight.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 .- A dispatch from New London this morning states that the steamboat Vanderbilt went ashore at Race Pond, Fisher's Island, vesterday morning, having three holes in her hull, and being partially filled with water. The passengers were safe on the island. Two steamers were sent to her assistance, but were unable to reach her,

## Later from Honduras-A Hoax.

New York, Jan. 5 .- The bark Caris, from

terday. Everything was quiet at Honduras. The story of the fillibusters landing at Puerto Cabello, and their friendly reception by the people of Honduras, is therefore with-

Augusta, Jan. 5 .- The Baptists of Edgefield District, S. C., are moving sternly in opposition to the importation of Africans into that State.

ta to-day, en route for Washington. Departure for Europe, &c. New York, Jan. 5 .- The steamship Asia

Henry R. Jackson passed through Augus-

sailed to-day for Liverpool, with \$400,000 in The train from Boston, with the America's mail, was still detained, in consequence of

## Catholic Church Burnt. MONTREAL, Jan. 5 .- The new Catholic

AUCTION SALES. COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF LAND.—By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Fair fax County, pronounced at it the case of J. C. Gunnell, vs. Robert Kirby, and R H Wheeler, we shall, on Monday, the 17th day o January next, (Court day,) in front of the Court

OF LAND, viz:-The TRACT OF LAND belonging to the said Robert Kirby, situated on Pohick Creek, in Fairfax County, and containing 276 ACRES. It has upon it a comfortable DWELLING and out buildings, a good Orchard, and a very productive The Creek is navigable up to this land Also, a TRACT OF LAND belonging to the said R. H. Wheeler, situated also on said Pohick Creek, and containing 232 ACRES. It has upon it a good

money will be required in hand as a deposit, liable to be forfeited upon the failure of the purchaser to comply with the terms of Sale, and the resisted in three intalments, at six, twelve, and eighteen months, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by the bonds of the purchaser, and a re-

ALFRED MOSS. Fairfax county, dec 18-eots

convenient to the Railroad, is of fair quality, and has upon it tolerably fair improvements. TERMS or SALE .- One-tenth of the purchase money to be paid down as a deposit, liable to for-feiture on failure to comply with the terms of sale, on its confirmation by the Court; the residue in three equal instalments of 3, 5, and 7 years, with interest from date, payable annually, to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with good security,

the purchase money is paid.

J. C. GUNNELL, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE LAND.—Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, rendered at its June term, 1858, in the suit of Thomas Coffer and others, ve. P. A. Stryker and others, I shall, on Monday. the 17th day of January, 1859, in front of the Court House, sell to the highest bidder, the TRACT OF LAND at present occupied by Augustus Rhodes, lying about one and a half miles north of Fairfax Court House, and adjusting the local fairfax Court House, and adjoining the lands of Charles Sutton, Cornelius White, and others, and containing 200 ACRES. This land is of fine quality, under good cultivation, and has on it a new Base, with a comfortable DWELLING, and

her buildings. Terms of sale, as prescribed by the decree :- One tenth of the purchase money in hand, the balanco in six, twelve, and eighteen months, with interest on the deferred payments from the day of sale; the title to be retained until the deferred payments are made; the purchaser to give bonds for the deferred payments, and the cash payment to be forfested it

V OCAL MUSIC.—Instruction in Vocal Music and cultivation of the voice, given by Mr. B. F. DENNIS, in classes or private. Orders left at No. 3, Exchange Block, King-st. jan 4

25 BBLS. WELCH'S FAMILY FLOUR; 75 do Extra and Superfine do., choice brands, in store, and for sale by susceptible of a polish.

Store, No. 3, Exchange Block.

B. F. DENNIS.

same make will be in store shortly of different prices. [jan 4] B. F. DENNIS.

sale by

Two hundred thousand dollars, in Fraser

### Later from Kansas.

## Steamboat Disaster on the Sound.

owing to a heavy sea.

Omoa on the 27th of November, and Truxillo on the 10th of December, arrived here ves-

out foundation. Opposition to Reopening the Slave Trade.

# Church (Dr. Jame's,) was destroyed by fire last night. Loss \$100,000.

house of said County, offer at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following described TRACTS

DWELLING HOUSE, and other buildings, and produces well. The Creek is navigable within half a mile of this land. TERMS OF SALE .- One-tenth of the purchase

money shall be paid. CHRISPOPHER NEALE, THOMAS J. MURRAY, Comm'rs WILLIAM H. DULANY, of Sale.

A FAIRFAX FARM FOR SALE.—In pursuance of decrees of the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, pronounced at its June term, 1857, June term 1858, and November, 1858, in the suit of Robert R. Daniel's Committee, vs. Richard N. Dan iel, &c., I will offer at public sale at Fairfax Court House, on Monday, the 17th day of January, 1559, (Court day,) the TRACT OF LAND formerly belonging to Stephen Daniel, dec'd., and known as Turner's old place, containing 328 ACRES. Said farm is situated about 3 miles south-west of the Court House, and adjoining the lands of Shied and others. A large portion of the tract is in valuable. Timber, for which there is a great demand. It lies

the land liable to be resold on a failure to meet d ferred payments, and the title to be retained until

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the purchaser falls to comply with the terms of sale.

THOS. MOORE, Comm'r.

Fairfax County, Va., dec 11—cots

BURNETT'S COCOAINE and Kaliston's, White's Inimitable Denrine, Glenn's Verbena, Rose, Geranium, and Lavender Waters, just received, and for sale by J. WM. BOWLING. FRESH ROLL BUTTER .-- 500 fbs. Fresh Roll Butter, just received

Butter, just received per Diamond State, tog by GARRET HULST, 147 King-street, JOHN T. EVANS.